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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
The Portals  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 03-103  
*Ex Parte Presentation*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 7, 2004, Lawrence Krevor, Michael Ha, and I of Nextel Communications met with Sheryl Wilkerson, Legal Advisor to Chairman Michael Powell, to discuss the serious threat of interference that the proposed wideband Air-to-Ground (WATG) service will create for public safety, specialized mobile radio, and cellular A and B operations in the 800-900 MHz bands. A copy of our presentation is attached.

At the close of the presentation, we stressed that Nextel opposes the introduction of ancillary terrestrial uses into the ATG bands because doing so would greatly increase the risk of interference to adjacent-band licensees.

The complex, \$4.86 billion plan that the Commission recently adopted to resolve public safety interference required years of effort and significant cooperation from both the private sector and public-safety licensees. Under these circumstances, the Commission should exhaustively consider all possible interference scenarios before permitting any ancillary terrestrial use of the ATG spectrum. Once interference scenarios are identified, the Commission should study and develop operational restrictions in the ATG bands to ensure that adjacent-band licensees can operate without harmful interference. Nextel does

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not believe that ancillary terrestrial uses are feasible in the complex interference environment in the 800 MHz ATG bands.

Under section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), please associate this letter with the above-referenced docket.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Trey Hanbury*

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